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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY (Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

(PCT Rule 44bis)

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International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237		
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International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC		
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2. **FURTHER ACTION**

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.

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Box No. I Basis of this opinion

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2. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
 - a. type of material

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contained in the international application as filed.
 filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
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3. In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table(s) relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.
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1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	2, 5-8, 10, 13-17	YES
	Claims	1, 3, 4, 9, 11, 12	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims		YES
	Claims	1-7	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-7	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1, 3, 4, 9, 11, and 12

Document 1 cited in the ISR describes a material for a hole-transporting layer, indicated as Formulas (1) and (2) described in the present application (claim 1 and paragraphs 0031 and 0032). Paragraph 0035 of document 1 suggests that the hole-transporting layer is substantially an electroluminescent layer, so this material for the hole-transporting layer is an electroluminescent material to be used in the electroluminescent layer. When made with this material, the electroluminescent element will naturally emit a green light.

Document 2 suggests that the compound indicated as Formula (1) is used as a material for an electroluminescent element (see claims and paragraphs 0014 and 0016). A person skilled in the art can easily try making this.

Claims 2 and 10

In a material described or suggested in documents 1 and 2, a person skilled in the art can easily change the position for replacing the fluoranthane ring.

Claims 5 and 13

Document 1 does not describe that the material is used as a dopant. However, because it is a well-known art to use a material for an electroluminescent layer as a dopant, there is no apparent difficulty in adding this feature. Furthermore, document 1 does describe using the material as a dopant (see claims).

Claims 6-8 and 14-16

Document 3 describes that an electroluminescent layer is formed by combining a host material comprising a fluoranthane derivative with a guest material such as an anthracene (claims and paragraphs 0023-0026 and 0195-0242). A person skilled in the art can easily use the fluoranthane derivative described or suggested in documents 1 and 2 to form an electroluminescent layer in a similar manner.

Claim 17

It is a well-known art to provide a green light-emitting element in some pixels in an organic electroluminescent element, so there is no apparent difficulty in adding this feature.

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1. Certain published documents (Rule 43bis.1 and 70.10)			
	Application No. Patent No.	Publication date (day/month/year)	Filing date (day/month/year)
	JP 2004-262761 A	24.09.2004	16.01.2003
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Document 1: JP 5-234681A (Eastman Kodak Company), 10 September 1993

Document 2: JP 8-199162 A (Idemitsu Kosan Co., Ltd.), 06 August 1996

Document 3: JP 2002-8867A (TDK Corporation), 11 Jan. 2002